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The C A R C meets the third Wednesday of the month at 8:00 PM.

NEXT MEETING IS DECEMBER 15th at the Emergency Preparedness Center.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR
HAPPENINGS

Massillon ARC annual Auctionfest was the way to close out the year of 1982 for the Hamfest season. A good time was had by all that were in attendance. The Auction did very well with a lot of radio goodies exchanging hands, but the dealers reported activity was down from last year. This seems to be the trend with the economy at most of the Hamfests this year. There was a good crowd but in the new facilities, it wasn't over crowded, except out in the parking lot. That got jammed up a little, as everyone tried to park as close to the door as possible.

A lot of nice door prizes, were won by many, and with the addition of a fourth major prize, everyone was rubbing their rabbit's foot or what ever lucky charm they had. The First Prize- the Ten-Tec Argosy was won by Diane Henry WD8OMQ from Elyria. Second Prize- Kenwood TR-7730 2 meter mobile, was won by Tom Bryant K8ECW. Third Prize- an Icom 2AT hand held was won by Ron Coffman WB8MBF. Fourth Prize- a nice portable telephone was won by Richard Snider KA8MIB. The last three were from the Canton area. Our THANKS to all that made the Auctionfest a winner.

NOVEMBER CARC MEETING MINUTES

The November meeting of the CARC was called to order at 8:01 PM, Wednesday, November 17, 1982, Herb Bushong WD8IPE officiating.

The round of introductions was made. Some illustrious members were not present. Was it the increase in dues, or a nice night for a ride Jess? Members in attendance was 32. Total membership to date for our new year including officers is 86.

The reading of the past month's meeting were deemed unnecessary so the financial report ensued. To date we've gotten 21 Sustaining members, 55 Full members and 10 Associate members, our prime source of income at the present time. Present balance is \$3636. Main expenditures being the Feedline, food and pre-payment of partial rental for the Nimishillen Grange for the 1983 Auction. A DC supply cord was also purchased By Myrhl W8MND for the club, to provide auto battery voltage directly to our HT Icom.

Herb brought up the matter of establishing the Stark Amateur Radio Club per last month's letter, and the mailing of consensus cards. Vote indicated 81 cards returned, 71 for and 10 against studying the building proposal offered by Gary WA8ADA. This now permits the various officers to make a feasibility study. Discussions will take place at the Fire Station, MARC QTH, on December 11th at 9 AM.

Herb emphasized that as of 1 December 1982, all memberships must be current or Feedline will be discontinued. We are way behind last years total membership of 148.

Dick WB8VUN discussed progress of the Novice Class. There have been drop-outs, but the sign-in list at last meeting, indicated several of the trainees attended. They are Julius Eidos and Ray Barclay. We also welcome Jeannette Manley to our learned group. Congrats, folks.

Dick mentioned that KSU Stark is looking for an instructor, for a General class instructor, assuming sufficient interest in that upgrade. It is a paying job! Any takers, please contact Dick.

Since Frank Woodall AK8W departed for the Sun Belt, question came up as to whether we should nominate a new QSL manager for the club. There was little interest (IN DX?) so that subject was dropped. Rick WD8AYC moved, Dick WB8VUN seconded the motion.

Herb sought information on the Disaster Drill held this past month. With the absence of Dave WD8AYE, the professional touch was missing.

Harley W8ETK offered views from a vantage point at the Disaster Center. He indicated some problems in coordination may have occurred, but the drill appeared to be successful. There were no disaster participants in attendance at the November meeting otherwise. Does this indicate Dave had problems in getting a roll call? Herb suggests that disasters wait for no one. Monitoring problems Dave?

Sweepstakes, Herb canvassed the group, not many CW operators in the club. Only four responded WA8ADA, W8FEC, KI8D and W8EAR. Total contacts 1015. Points accrued not calculated. Wonder if phone SS on 20/21 November will be better attended.

No action on non-profit mailing status yet as queried by Herb. We must submit more detailed information relative to earnings before we submit our application to IRS. The secy is screening past years financial info for this input.

Herb reminded the group of the MARC flea market and auctionfest at the Nazir Grotto on 21 November. Some nice prizes will be available.

A question was brought up whether our club equipment ought not be moved around a bit so that hams, or prospective hams un able to build or buy, would have an opportunity to operate for a short period of time. WD8MMG Art made a motion and Frank KE8G seconded a move to limit retention of equipment to two months. After this period, if no other applicant voiced a need, the equipment would stay with the user until the following review period. Motion passed unanimously.

Our President is seeking a change to club proceedings by introducing talent within or outside our club, to provide talks or discussions in not only technically related subjects, but to other areas where interest and increased attendance would result. Any thoughts on this matter should be directed to our VP Rod. We have some experienced people in our club. It is a veritable "Acre of Talents." Why not offer your services and talents, fellows & gals?

Dick WB8VUN requested minor monetary assistance, normally not to exceed \$10, for the covering of postage and the like relative to his Novice training classes. Club members concurred. Everett N8EIL made the motion, Denny K8NIB seconded. Motion passed.

Got out early. Dick WB8VUN motioned adjournment at 8:40 PM. Seconded by Scott KK8D. Food was delectable. Where were the rest of you???

HAWII

Several of our club members have had their dream come true by going to the fabulous islands of Hawaii. The latest of these were Charlie Scott K8BYC and his wife Betty. Charlie wants to share the trip with us, at least some of the highlights, so he gave me a few notes.

First their daughter surprised them by handing them an envelope with 2 airplane tickets to the islands, telling Mom and Dad to go and enjoy themselves. George KH600 made hotel reservations for them and the date was set. George KH600 talks almost daily with the members of the Pajama Net, and has visited our area. So Charlie and Betty started their 2 week adventure, by leaving Cleveland Airport on November 8th for the ten hour flight to Hawaii, with stops in Chicago and LA.

Of course for a ham besides the beautiful sights (including the bikinis) of the paradise of the Pacific, meeting and talking to the area hams is very important. With his trusty hand held along, one of the first contacts was with Bob Jones KH60, formerly from Canton. Because of the mountains in the middle of the island, they have two repeaters linked together. As Charlie was talking with Bob, suddenly he lost contact with Bob. Another voice was heard informing Charlie that the link was down for some reason. When the voice identified, it was the well known DX leader Katashi Nose KH6IJ. Katashi worked the DX before you had to take a number or buy a DX contact. That was when skill, patience know-how and luck were the hallmarks of a DXer. He started out with a simple station with his transmitter a 201A with 45 volt battery. Then he graduated to high power with a pair of 45's with 10 watts. It was common to use tin foil and wax paper from bread wrappers, for capacitors and he had to make his own tuning and neutralizing capacitors from old refrigerator trays with a hacksaw and file. Those were the good DX days in the early 30's. Katashi wrote that this was the happiest time of his DX life. DX was worked by patience, luck and good fellowship. There was no pressure, stations were there for the digging. There was none of the pettiness and snarling, characteristic of the bands today. If someone stole your DX from under you, you admired his skill. Today is the day of the Manufactured Contact and Master of Ceremonies for DX. Today, he still prefers CW working recently such places as St. Peter & St. Paul Rocks PY0SJ and PY0ZSC.

Katashi's wife called and invited Charlie and Betty to a ham luncheon, at one of the local eateries. There were 21 of the locals that Charlie

met that day.

They also went out to dinner with Bob Jones KH6O. Bob is able to speak several languages so when they arrived at his favorite Chinese Restaurant, he did the ordering and Charlie says it was very good. Bob left Canton to join the Navy and after making the Navy a career, he retired and became an Electronics Instructor at Honolulu Community College. In September, Bob's call was started out on the new beacon system KH6O/B. Every two minutes after the hour and every ten minutes thereafter, it transmits for nine seconds with 100 watts, then nine seconds at 10 watt nine seconds at 1 watt and finally nine seconds at .1 watt. At the present time, this is shared with K6OPO at Stanford University, and 4U1UN United Nations in New York. Other beacons eventually will join them, resulting in a network covering the world. Others to join will be JA2-IGY in Japan, 4X6TU in Israel, OH2B in Finland, CT3B in Madeira Island and ZS6TN in South Africa. The Northern California DX Foundation sponsored the project. The frequency is 14.100. Each station will key nine seconds of dashes at each power level, then ID at 100 watt level, and every minute a different station keys up. Every 10 minutes the same station will transmit in turn. If you hear any of these beacons, Albert Lotze W6RQ would like a report.

As the hurricane approached Hawaii, Charlie and Betty's dream trip came to a close, as they boarded the plane for the return trip, where Dick KA8BZK was waiting to return them to Canton.

FOR SALE- Santec HT 1200 two meter HT with leather case, speaker/mike, charger and extra battery pack, #200. Call WB8VUN 453-5896.

FOR SALE- Dentron Jr Tuner, 300 watts, asking \$40- Dick WB8VUN 453-5896

CAUTION CAUTION

If you try out the new 10 mhz band, remember not to operate on 10.109 to 10.115 mhz. This portion is still used by the government, and they are giving out fines if you encroach on their frequencies. Remember to only use 10.100 to 10.109 and 10.115 to 10.150mhz on CW and RTTY only. Failing to comply could jeopardize our use of the band.

Nelson Caley W8EAR is now recuperating from a painful stubborn kidney stone that had to be removed surgically. Good to hear you on the air again Nelson and wish you a speedy recovery.